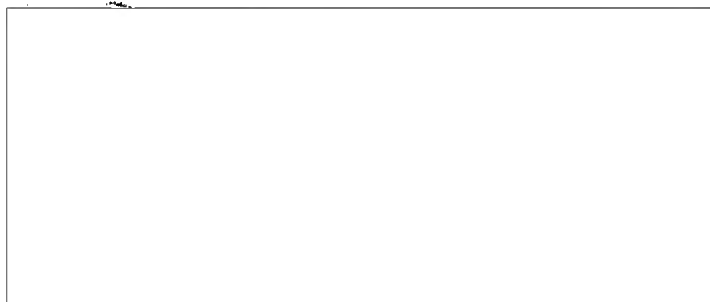


THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST



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1. USSR

a. Yesterday's opening session of the Central Committee plenum heard party ideological whip, Leonid Ilichev, run through a catalogue of the ideological ills which beset Soviet society.

b. His tone was generally defensive, and he offered no specific solutions other than incessant lecturing against the fascination which "bourgeois" Western ideas hold for Soviet youth.

c. Khrushchev is expected to speak in a day or so. He may have something more precise to say on this as well as other problems.

2. USSR

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3. Cuba


a. The Ivan Polzunov, with six wooden crates on deck, put into Havana late yesterday.

b. The contents of the crates remain a mystery. However, Havana has not been used in the past for offloading major military cargoes.

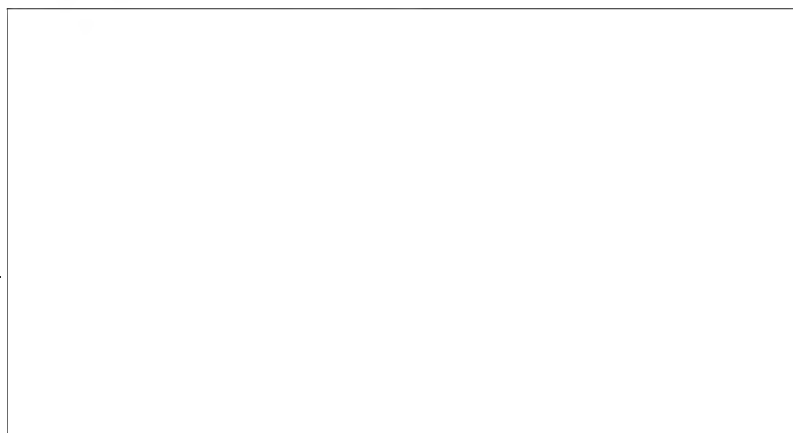
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d. The training of Cuban pilots in MIG-21's has advanced to the point where they are beginning night flying. 

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4. British Guiana

a. Jagan's government has been encouraged by the arrival of the first two shiploads of supplies from Cuba, and the Minister of Trade and Industry has announced that controls on various essential items can soon be lifted.

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c. Further shipments from Cuba will not only put Jagan in a position to weather the strike and its aftermath, but may reorient the traditional trading pattern from the US and Trinidad to the bloc and Cuba.

d. Jagan meanwhile has adjourned the legislature--a face-saving way to kill his own labor control bill which has been casus belli to his opposition all along.

e. This move takes some of the steam out of the opposition, but it does not automatically end the strike.

f. Trade union leaders, still hoping to use the strike to bring Jagan down, are demanding assurances that he will not re-introduce the bill at the next session. This, constitutionally, could be as much as a year away.

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5. Italy

a. Despite Moro's failure and some talk of a minority government, the possibility of a left-of-center coalition remains alive.

b. The socialist party has rejected the resignation, proffered yesterday, of Pietro Nenni. It has also reaffirmed socialist backing for a center-left government, although not the one proposed by Moro.

c. Foreign Minister Piccioni has not turned down President Segni's bid to give it a try. We feel, however, that Segni will ultimately have to turn again to Fanfani if anything resembling a government is to be installed before the President's visit there.

6. GATT-EEC

a. French maneuvers to revise or dissolve GATT are bringing the organization's future into question.

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c. One suggestion, advanced by the French delegate to GATT, is that the organization's functions be split between the UN and the OECD.

d. Although officials at the French foreign office deny that they support the suggestion, our embassy in Paris is convinced that the French are aiming for a reform in international trade machinery which will curb the influence of the less developed countries.

e. On the brighter side, the Common Market countries have reached agreement on a strictly limited credit policy toward the Communist bloc. Substantial down payments will be required, the rest to be spread over no more than the customary five years. Britain was asked to join in this, but declined.

NOTES

- A. USSR Vostok 6 carrying the space woman was (unexpectedly for us) brought back to earth early this morning on its 48th orbit. There is no indication she had encountered trouble; recovery was normal. Vostok 5 was deorbited several hours later.

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- B. South Vietnam Close coordination between the government and the Buddhists enabled today's funeral procession for the dead bonze to be brought off without incident. Saigon is normal, although the barricades are still in the streets.

- C. Israel Ben-Gurion's top lieutenant, Levi Eshkol, looks to be several weeks away from filling out his slate for a new Israeli government.

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- D. Venezuela The Communist led FALN terrorists struck again last night, ransacking an American accounting firm's office in Caracas. Police say it was the same gang that raided a US diplomat's home last week.

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